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Airman 1st Class Daryl Duenas, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, marshals a B-2 from its hardstand position toward the runway to prepare for takeoff July 31. The 509th maintenance and operations groups have made strives to improve B-2 readiness.

# **B-2 Spirit exceeds mission standards**

By Staff Sgt. Jason Barebo 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The B-2 achieved a milestone when it exceeded Air Combat Command's fully mission capable rate standard of 51 percent in June, a feat not achieved since Septem-

Keeping the B-2 ready for war is an effort that requires the hard work and support of everyone who works on base, said Col. Bob Dulong, 509th Maintenance Group commander.

For a B-2 to be FMC, it must be capable of successfully completing its intended mission of striking an enemy without being detected by radar.

The criteria used to determine the FMC rate of an aircraft is known as the Minimum Essential Subsystem Listing. The MESL is a detailed list of every subsystem that must be operational in order to determine the FMC rate of the aircraft.

Due in part to the aircraft's unique abilities, ACC recently changed the MESL criteria for the B-2 to more accurately reflect its low-observable status.

Using several modeling techniques, nembers of the 509th Maintenance Squadron Signature Diagnostics Flight and the 509th Operational Support Squadron Survivability Flight developed the MESL to improve aircrew member's satisfaction with the outer coating of the B-2, Colonel Dulong said.

In addition to the policy change for deriving MESL criteria, the Airmen of the 509th MXS and Aircraft Maintenance Squadron also made improvements in their maintenance practices.

"The members of the 509th MXS and AMXS are dedicated to the Air Force mission," Senior Master Sgt. WilliamVance, 509th AMXS, said. The maintainers of one of the most technologically advanced weapons system work anywhere from 10 to 12 hours per day, including a rotating 12hour weekend-duty schedule.

During the past 18 months, Whiteman has received four aircraft with a new outer coating known as alternate high frequency materials. A B-2 with the AHFM coating has surface panels that can be removed and reinstalled with a minimal amount of the LO coating needing restoration.

A B-2 in need of any LO maintenance without this new configuration would require several hours, or days, of down time due largely in part to the cure times of the chemicals associated with the repair,

Colonel Dulong said. This new configuration allows the maintenance crews the opportunity to achieve mission success in a shorter time.

"Earlier this year we sent our B-2s to Nellis Air Force Base to participate in a military exercise," Colonel Dulong said. While preparing to go on a mission, one of the jets experienced a flight-control component failure during a launch

'Normally it would have taken several days to make the repair because the amount of time it takes to cure the special tapes and radar absorbing coating on the aircraft. However, because that was an AHFM configured aircraft, the repair took less than two hours and the B-2 flew on another mission that same evening.'

Another maintenance action that has helped to increase the FMC rate of the B-2 is a temporary modification of a new windshield sealant of one aircraft. The sealant has lasted more than 300 hours of flying without any maintenance actions, a significant increase from the sealant currently used on the other B-2 s in the fleet. Once the analysis phase of the modification is complete, it is expected to be implemented fleetwide.

In addition to improved maintenance practices, there have also been improvements in the inspection process, Colonel Dulong said. The outer coating inspections have been based solely on visual inspection. A new program known as radio frequency diagnostics is currently in use to determine areas that require maintenance and to verify the completion of any maintenance actions.

Teamwork and improved communications between maintenance and operations has helped the wing quickly identify potential issues that might affect the B-2, said Chief Master Sgt. James Turner, 509th Maintenance Group chief. "With both sides working together, we've been able to decrease the loss of valuable manpower and allow maintainers to quickly and effectively keep the B-2 mission ready.

"I'm very proud of the work our maintenance Airmen do on a daily basis," Colonel Dulong said. "I am inspired by their performance and honored to serve with this great team of professionals."

Master Sgt. Buddy McClain, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron first sergeant, rationalized the B-2 readiness improvements another way. "If it's in the air, maintenance put it there," he said.

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# Air Force Quiz

Since January 2000, all veterans are entitled to receive, at a minimum, a funeral ceremony including what three things? (see answer below)

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Air Force Quiz answer

# Niner's Notes -

# HOT OPPORTUNITIES: Upcoming events will relax and recharge

By Col. Eric Single

509th Bomb Wing vice commander

If you've checked your calendar recently, you've noted that we are already approaching the end of summer.

With school starting in less than a week, you may soon be adjusting to a different family "battle rhythm."

However, there are still a few opportunities to relax and enjoy yourself before we lose the warm weather.

As you read this article, 36 teams of dedicated warriors are engaged in a dire struggle to come out on top in the Air Force Ball golf tournament.

The tournament is designed to raise money to help reduce ticket costs for the Whiteman Air Force Birthday Ball, which will be held at Central Missouri State University Sept.14.

This year we are honored to have as our guest speaker Lt. Gen. Dave Deptula, former Pacific Air Force vice commander and current Headquarters U.S. Air Force deputy chief of staff for intelligence.

The ball promises to be a great time for everyone who attends, and a wonderful way to celebrate our Air Force heritage.

Also, we have declared Tuesday a wing squadron day to allow maximum attendance at military appreciation day at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia.

If you haven't ever attended this event, it provides great entertainment for every taste: carnival rides, livestock exhibits, craft shows, concerts, food.

You name it, it's at the fair! I highly encourage everyone to attend, and urge you to take proper precautions to make

your experience safe and satisfying.

Another great way to relax and enjoy the end of the summer is the Enlisted

This year the event will be held at Skelton Park Aug. 18. It's open to all our enlisted troops and their families, and provides a great opportunity for food, fun, and

Information on many more opportunities is available on the Services Website and the Whiteman events page, so stay informed and get out there and have some fun! And don't forget to ACT — Assess the risks, Consider the consequences, Take the appropriate action.

Have fun safely. We have a busy year ahead of us, and as Colonel Biscone always says, "we need you rested and ready."

# Signing the dotted line

By Lt. Col. Troy VanBemmelen

394th Combat Training Squadron

That does "signing the dotted line' mean? Are you really willing to give your life for your nation? The Air Force isn't just a job that you go to from 8 a.m - 4:30 p.m. every day and expect it to be just like the civilian workplace. It means sacrifice!

Leaders try to make it as easy as possible for you to do your job safely, efficiently and with the least impact to your

family. The military changes as the economy, technology, world threats, budgets and politics change.

These changes require us to meet our mission objectives while still providing a military that can protect our nation's interests.

What does this mean to us today? It means that we are defending our nation against terrorism. Military members are deployed all across the globe in support of the Global War on Terrorism, and it takes numerous people to do this.

The threat isn't a border dispute; it crosses all areas and no one is immune from the effects, even at the local level.

We at Whiteman have a mission to provide well-organized, trained and equipped people to do that mission. Some of our folks are doing the mission right now over-

We have to maintain this operations tempo for how ever long it takes until the threat is gone. But we just can't let our people go overseas and then stop training and equipping for the mission.

We have to be prepared for the next threat! This is an ongoing cycle that doesn't end - we must always be ready to both defend and train

The current fight puts a strain on everyone, from the families of those deployed, to those who remain here and must cover the additional workload to support Whiteman's mission and families.

For the people who aren't deployed, remember: You are going home every night to your own bed, in a nice house, with your family, and not getting shot at doing the same mission you could be doing while deployed.

Your days might be a little longer here than they used to be, but I bet if you were deployed, your days would be even longer.

I can only hope our deployed personnel are saying that their co-workers back home are holding down the

fort so that I can get the trained and equipped force needed to continue this mission.

Just because we are at home station doesn't give us the right to say we are overworked. We are part of the mission to replace our deployed brethren, and if that means we work a little harder, then so be it. You were willing to sign the dotted line.

Now that it is crunch time, we can't give up or whine because something didn't go just right. The enemy will never act in the way we want them to act.

We have to plan a strategy that minimizes those variables so we know how to engage him, train ourselves to defend against his actions, and take the operational fight to the enemy.

There is fog and friction in everything we do, but we deal with them head on; we don't say it is too tough and quit. We persevere over these obstacles!

How many of you in your personal life have had a flat tire on your way to work, or a water line rupture in your house, or something happen that was not in your control to prevent (fog and friction)?

You stepped up to the plate and dealt with this untimely event that may have prevented you from going out that weekend or caused an unexpected financial burden, and you had to make a decision on what your next action was going to

In the military these things happen all the time despite the best laid plans. Whether dealing with the enemy or daily happenings, we must learn to deal with these issues in real

No matter what the issue is, there will be an impact on something else. All levels of the chain of command may be involved, both up and down.

We all have a mission to accomplish, but if that mission fails, we didn't do our job for the nation. Leadership doesn't

intentionally make issues for you to get on your bad side, or thrash you just to thrash you.

Leadership is trying to solve an issue the best way they can to accomplish the mission. And yes, sometimes the best way to solve one issue causes a ripple effect somewhere else.

After all is said and done, the course of action that minimizes impacts, gets the job done, and accomplishes the mission will be the course of action taken.

We all wish we had the time to provide a detailed explanation to everyone involved why a course of action was chosen.

Leaders do not operate in a vacuum; they don't make decisions without getting all the facts and impacts of a course of action.

Yes, there are time-critical decisions that have to be made, and they may not have time to get all the facts. But if no action is taken, it could be worse than the impact of waiting for all the information.

This doesn't happen often, but when it does, our leaders are selected for their knowledge, expertise and experience to make the common-sense call.

The bottom line is that we are working harder, with our fellow Whiteman members deployed across the globe and a shrinking work force, but we too are defending the nation from home station.

The next time someone asks you to accomplish a task or work a little longer or on a weekend, remember, it isn't because we thought your weekend isn't important. It's because we have a mission to accomplish.

Before you complain about it, look overseas and think about what your military brethren are sacrificing. Also realize that you might be the person without all the facts and experience.

Remember you were willing to sign the dotted line!

### Newsline

# **Clydesdale horse showing**

A world-famous Clydesdale horse will be on exhibit at the shoppette parking lot Tuesday from 4 - 7 p.m.

The horse is good with children and attendees are encouraged to bring cameras.

For more information, call Coris Suiter at 687-1138.

# State Fair military appreciation day set

The Missouri State Fair offers Military Appreciation Day Tuesday. Military ID card holders get free admission, family members get \$1 off admission, and carnival ride wrist bands are discounted \$3. Youth 12 and under get in free.

Parking is free. Gates open at 7:30 a.m., exhibits open at 9 a.m. and carnival rides begin at noon.

The fair goes until Aug. 20 at the fairgrounds in Sedalia. For more details, visit the Web site: www.mostatefair.com.

# **Archery club to meet**

The Whiteman Archery Club will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday in the Mission's End dining room. Archers, old and new, are welcome to attend.

Call Master Sgt. Rob Jackson, 509th Bomb Wing, at 687-3652, or Capt. Mike Ingison, 509th Maintenance Group, at 687-1485 if you have questions.

### **Enlisted luau**

The 12th annual Enlisted Big Hawaiian Luau Party will be held Aug. 18 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Ike Skelton Park.

Active duty, Guard, Reserve, civilian equivalents and their families are invited to join in the event.

This year, there will be an Enlisted Idol karaoke contest with prizes going to the top three competitors.

There will also be food, games and prizes. The cost is \$6 for 13 and under and \$7 for all others

Tickets are available at the door or call 687-6503 for tickets and more information.

### **Warrior Run set**

A warrior run will begin at 7:30 a.m. Aug. 25. Runners are encouraged to arrive 15 minutes early for parking and stretching.

The runway will be cleared no later than 8:30 a.m., and water and Gatorade will be provided.

### Air Force Ball tickets on sale

Tickets for the 2006 Whiteman Air Force Ball are on sale now.

The event takes place at 6 p.m. Sept. 14 at Central Missouri State University's Elliot Union. Tickets are \$20 for E-4 and below, \$30 for E-5 and above and are available from first sergeants.

Attire is mess dress or semi-formal for military without mess dress. Civilians should dress formal or semi-formal in lieu of formal attire.

### Club membership offers H3 Hummers

All new members who sign up for club membership during the annual membership drive from Sept. 1 through Nov. 31 are eligible to win one of two H3 Hummers. The second H3 will be given away to someone who was a member as of Aug. 31. The two H3s are being given away to show Air Force Clubs' appreciation to its members.

For any questions or to sign up for membership, stop by Mission's End to apply or call 1-888-871-5608 and mention card code 5TH7.

# 509th MDG appointments now online

By 1st Lt. Nathan Johnson

509th Medical Support Squadron

Has your child ever woken up in the middle of the night with a high fever? Now you don't have to wait until the next morning to call the appointment line.

Do you wish that you could quickly make an appointment at the base clinic right at your personal computer instead of trying to work the phone system? You now have an option with TRICARE Online. TRICARE Online is a 24-hour appointment system accessible from any internet-connected computer in the world.

Almost every appointment type offered at the 509th Medical Group is now available for online booking, making scheduling an appointment at the clinic quick, easy and convenient.

All appointments will continue to be available through the appointment line if patients prefer not to use the online booking option. Online booking is only available to patients enrolled in TRICARE Prime at the 509th MDG.

To book an online appointment, you can log on to the TRICARE Online Web site at www.tricareonline.com. First time users will need to register in order to receive an account and password.

To register, click on the "log on" icon at the top of the home page, and then follow the prompts to register.

A separate account is required for each family member since the TRI-CARE Online program matches appointments to each patient based on assigned PCM, age and gender.

After logging in, select the "appointments" icon at the top of the page. Scroll down the page to the "book an appointment" section. From the drop down menu, select the desired reason for the appointment.

After selecting the reason for the appointment, a list of available appointment dates and times will appear.

Select the date and time you would

like to book and follow the prompts to book the appointment.

Once selected, you will be prompted to give a brief description of why you need the appointment, for example: "I need my cast removed." After you make the appointment, a summary will appear including which provider the appointment is with, the appointment type and the time.

If you need to cancel a booked appointment, it is easily accomplished with a few clicks on the main appointments screen.

You can download an instruction sheet for registering on TRICARE Online and booking/cancelling appointments at the following Website:www.whiteman.af.mil/509mdg/TOL.htm.

If you are unable to find an appointment online that meets your scheduling needs, contact the appointment line at 563-9100 for assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact 1st Lt. Nathan Johnson at 687-6826.

# **Top chief elaborates on Airman pride**

By Staff Sgt. Jeremy Larlee

Air Force Print News

**SAN ANTONIO** — The top enlisted Airman shared his thoughts on Airman pride during his visit here.

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Rodney McKinley was in San Antonio to check out basic training at Lackland Air Force Base and security forces expeditionary training at nearby Camp Bullis.

The chief was impressed with the training he witnessed and said that it is vital to the Air Force's everincreasing expeditionary nature.

"The warrior ethos that we are teaching now and integrating into basic training is very important," he said. While at Lackland, he

While at Lackland, he witnessed the presentation of the Airman's Coin to the basic trainees in their final week of training.

"We tell them during that coin ceremony that from this day on we are going to call them Airman," Chief McKinley said. "But sometimes, we get them to their first duty station and we call them kids. We call them troops. We call them the cats and dogs of the dorms. And they're not. They're Airmen."

The chief's thoughts on Airman pride also touch on how people represent the Air Force.

"It's pride in how you wear your uniform, how seriously you take your physical fitness and pride in your unit, base and local community," he said. "Be the whole-person Airman."

The Air Force core values are good to reference for anybody who doesn't understand how to be the best Airman, the chief said.

"The things that are our basic framework like discipline, standards and customs and courtesies, these things we learned in basic training, we need to carry on and use," Chief McKinley said.

An example of this is the disgraceful mobs that often



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Cecilio M. Ricardo Jr.

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Rodney J. McKinley hangs the Marksman pennant on a flight's guidon signifying "top flight" during the Airman's coin ceremony at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, on Monday. The ceremony marks the transition of a trainee to an Airman. Chief McKinley was a speaker during the ceremony.

gather just inside the doors of buildings on bases across the country, right before retreat is played. The chief believes that Airmen should be eager for the opportunity to honor the flag and their nation.

"Be proud to be an Airman and proud to live in this great country of ours," he said.

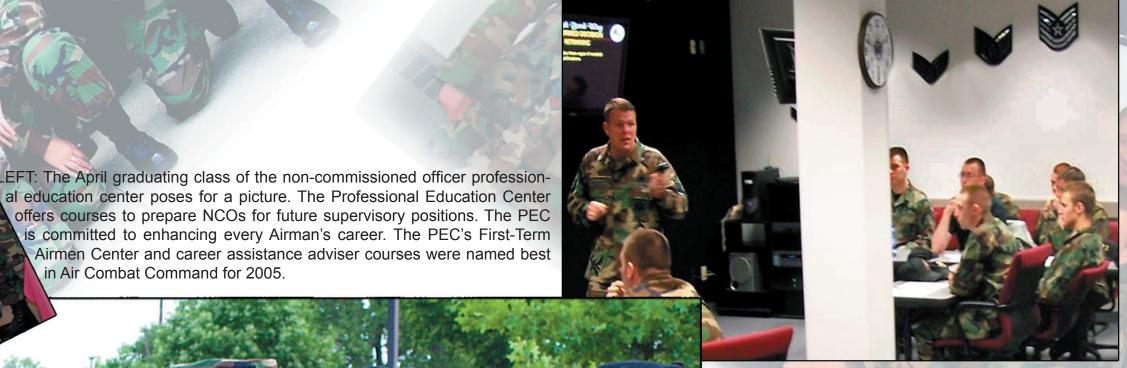


Photo by Melanie E. Rodgers

# Old is new again

Chief Master Sgt. Malcolm McVicar explains the history of the circled U.S. lapel insignia to Tech. Sgt. Sharee Hileman at the Air Force Enlisted Heritage Research Institute at Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Ala., on Tuesday. A recent change to Air Force Instruction 36-2903 returned the circled insignia to the enlisted service dress uniform. Airmen can return to their heritage and begin wearing the circled insignia now, but must have it on by Jan. 1. Chief McVicar is director of the heritage institute, and Sergeant Hileman is the NCO in charge.





ABOVE: Master Sgt. Warren Weakley, 509th Mission Support Squadron career assistance adviser, conducts an Informed Decision class. Informed Decision is open to Airmen who are close to their date-of-separation and provides the pros and cons of both separating from the Air Force and continuing a military career.

The Professional Enhancement Center offers the following courses to Whitemen

- -First-term Airmen course
- -Airmen's professional enhancement course

Airmen:

- -Non-commissioned officer PEC
- -Senior NCO PEC
- -Informed decision



Staff Sgt. Rudy Skultety, 509th Mission Support Squadron First-Term Airmen Center team leader, inspects the battle-dress uniform of Airmen attending FTAC. All first-term Airmen arriving at Whiteman from technical school are required to enroll in FTAC within the first 30 days on station. Volunteer subject matter experts from the local and base communities discuss approximately 50 topics during the two-week course. Sergeant Skultety is currently assigned to the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron.

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# From the confinement facility:

# An Airman's perspective

(Editor's note: The following is an Airman's voluntary, first-person reflection on serving time in confinement as a result of a court-martial.)

### By Airman Basic Jessica Anderson

509th Bomb Wing

I am Airman Basic Jessica Anderson. I used to be Airman 1st Class Anderson.

I am an inmate at the Whiteman Confinement Facility. I want to tell you a little bit about what brought me here

You are probably asking yourselves why you should care at this point. I am currently serving a court-martial sentence for my use of methamphetamines and I want to tell everyone what breaking the law can mean to them and their career.

I was court-martialed for using methamphetamines three different times during one night.

My punishment for that crime was reduction to the grade of E-1, forfeiture of \$849 of my pay per month for three months, three months of confinement and a Bad Conduct Discharge.

I failed to uphold the core values and the contract I signed when I joined the Air Force.

When I went home to Texas last Labor Day weekend, I was going through some stress and I just needed to get away from the base and my job. Family and friends seemed like the ticket I needed to clear my head.

While I was home, I ended up using methamphetamines with some friends.

Afterward, I felt extremely guilty about it. By the time I left Texas, there were people in Missouri already talking about my crime.

I was reported to OSI and they started an investigation. I thought since I'd done this at home, away from base, I wouldn't get into trouble. I was wrong.

I am very scared at this point. I don't ever get into trouble. I am too nice.

People say I am way too forgiving and trusting. I hate causing drama or being around it.

Basically people never saw me as someone who would get into trouble, and I never saw myself that way. This situation took a lot of people by surprise. This includes close friends, my parents, friends of the family and I will include myself on this list.

In nine months, I went through an investigation, lost my line badge, my government computer was confiscated, and I sat around worrying about what would happen to me.

I spent my time reflecting on the fact that my career is over. I am losing my job and my security. People saw me in a way I never wanted to be seen, and it broke my heart.

I was so angry and hurt with myself. I didn't think I could forgive myself for the pain I have caused to the people around me.

When I was court-martialed June 23, I pled guilty and was given an additional three months to think about all this while I sit in confinement.

I ask myself questions like, "where do I go from here? How am I going to make up for what I did? How will I face the world again with this big dark mark on my record?" Living in confinement is no picnic.

I have lost every freedom I took for granted. I never realized I had it so good until it was taken away.

Let me be the first to tell

you, if you're doing something you should not be doing, you will get caught eventually. You won't only let yourself down, you will let down family, friends, coworkers and the civilians you signed on to protect.

I can tell you first-hand, there is nothing you can do worth sacrificing your Air Force career.

I compromised myself and I am still dealing with my bad decision, and will deal with it for the rest of my life as a result of the courtmartial sentence.

I don't know how my life will turn out, but one thing is for sure: I will never make the same mistake again. I will never again fail the people who care about me.

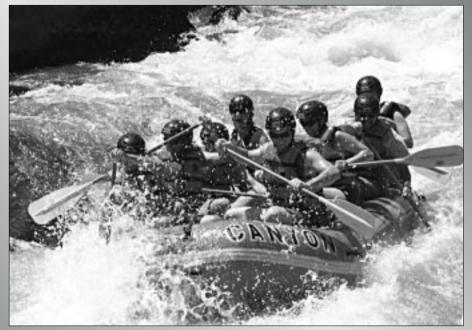
Most importantly, I will never again rob myself of my own integrity.

I made a promise to myself that I will make it through this and I will persevere. I know that my life will be a lot harder now with this conviction and discharge.

Another thing I learned is what I did was not worth the risks I took.

Please don't make the same mistake I did.

# **Free suds**



Courtesy photo

Five Airmen took advantage of an E-1 through E-4 Royal Gorge white water rafting trip near Canyon City, Co., July 28-30. Airman 1st Class Tracy Willden, 509th Operations Support Squadron, Airmen Robin Christie, 509th OSS, Jamie Wilkinson, 509th Communications Squadron, Nick Williams, 509th Security Forces Squadron, and Jonathan Graham, 509th Munitions Squadron, made the trip. "This was an Air Combat Command funding offset program," said Ken Briles, Outdoor Recreation director. "Every year ACC gives us money to offset programs for two types of groups, which are E-1 through E-4's and families." For more information on upcoming trips, call the recreation center at 687-5567.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Jason Barebo

Kris Bailie, wife of Tech. Sat. Scott Bailie, 509th Security Forces Squadron, slides in under Michelle Wise, a **Child Development** Center worker, during the intramural women's softball championship game Aug. 8, held on field one. Although Mrs. Bailie was called out on the play, her efforts enabled the 509th SFS to defeat the 509th Services Squadron and 442nd Fighter Wing combined team 10-8.

# **SERVICES**



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# **Today**

# **Preschool enrollment**

Today is the last day for enrollment in the child development center's Fall part-day preschool program for 3 to 5-year-olds. The program will begin Aug. 21. The fees will be determined by total family income. For more information call 687-5588.



### Karaoke

Free karaoke tonight at Mission's End, at 9 p.m. Members only.

# Saturday Katy Trail ride

The sixth ride of the summer will cover the stretch of trail from Wainwright to Portland, Mo. Bring a bike, helmet, lunch and plenty of water. The van leaves at 8 a.m. from outdoor recreation. The cost is \$15, and outdoor recreation can supply a free bike and helmet if necessary.

# Loafers convention

Couch potatoes unite for a free afternoon of movies, video games and pool starting at 2 p.m. Saturday at the community center.

# Children of deployed play day

Children with a parent or guardian currently deployed can get together for a free afternoon of games and fun starting at 3 p.m. Saturday at the teen center.

### **Pre-teen Cosmic night**

Wear a white or glow-in-the-dark shirt for a night of fun that is out-of-thisworld. Black lights, cosmic games, flashlight tag for children ages 9 to 12, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday. The cost is \$3 for members and \$4 for nonmembers. Sign up at the teen center.

# Family friendly movie

Bring the children to the community center for a family movie on their big screen every Saturday at 4 p.m.

# **Sunday**



\*Please note, free food for the base wide pool party will be served from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m., this supersedes the information in the August calendar.

# **Monday**

# Precocious preschoolers photo contest

Enter your preschooler in the community center's photo contest by dropping off a non-professional photograph by Monday. Judging will be by public vote. Be sure to put the child's name, birth date, your name and contact details on the back of the photo.

### Marble kaleidoscope

Make your own stained glass kaleidoscope. The class takes place 9 a.m.-noon Monday and Aug. 21 at arts and crafts. The cost is \$35 plus supplies, sign up by noon Friday.

### Register for smart start

Smart start soccer is a special, eightsession program for 3- to 5-year-olds to teach them the basic rules and skills needed for the game. Parents work with their own child one-on-one as well as participate in group classes. The sessions will be 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Sept. 5 at the youth center soccer fields. Return completed registration packs Monday-Friday this week at the youth center the cost is \$25 per child. A \$10 fee will be applied for late registration.

# Tuesday Rock painting

Paint your favorite animal on a rock and create a decorative doorstop or land-scaping feature. This two-session class takes place 2-4 p.m. Tuesday and Aug. 22 at arts and crafts sign up by noon Monday. The cost is \$25 plus supplies.

### **Thursday**

# Scrapbooking "slider page"

Give yourself more room for journaling or photos by adding a slider page to your scrapbook. The class takes place 4-6 p.m. Thursday at arts and crafts and costs \$10 plus supplies. Sign up by noon Wednesday.

### Scrapbooking "album class"

Learn how to make the cover and insert

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for facility information, events and the Services Connection magazine.

pages for a photo album, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday at arts and crafts. Sign up by noon Wednesday. The cost is \$10 plus supplies.

# Before and after school care

Call the youth center at 687-5586 for details about before and after school care for 5 to 12-year-olds at the Whiteman Elementary School. Fees will be determined by family income.

# **New pool hours**

Starting Thursday the pool will be open 4-8 p.m. Monday-Friday. The snack bar will close at 7 p.m. and pool parties can be held 8-10 p.m., subject to life guard availablity. Weekend hours are noon-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

# Coming up

# Whiteman Idol

Sign up by Wednesday to take part in Whiteman Idol for a chance to win great prizes. First place, a director's chair, karaoke system and gift cards. Total value \$150! Second prize is a portable DVD player and gift cards, prize value \$100 and third place will win a MP3 player and gift cards with a prize value of \$70.

# **Available now**

# **Bouncy castles for rent**

Make your child's birthday really special with a bouncy castle from outdoor recreation. There are two sizes available,





13 feet by 13 feet and 15 feet by 15 feet and the cost is \$75 per day. Outdoor recreation will set up the castle for on-base residents for \$50. Call 687-5565 to reserve one.

# Pet supplies

Save on pet medications, toys, grooming equipment and other supplies by ordering through the Whiteman veterinary clinic. The clinic receives significant discounts on items available at pet stores. Call 687-2667 or stop by to see what you can save.

# Family Child care news

# **Extended duty care**

Register now for the extended duty care program. It is available to help parents meet child care requirements for extra duty and emergencies. Care is provided in a contracted, licensed family child care home to augment regular care arrangements. An application must be completed prior to participation. Call for more details.

### **Vet Clinic**

# Pet behaviors tips

Each week throughout August the vet clinic will be sharing their top pet care tips to help you and your pet to live in harmony

- Correct bad behavior with positive alternatives such as a toy instead of a slipper or a scratching post instead of the sofa.
- Never physically punish or force compliance with command;, this may lead to fear biting or aggression.
- Don't play rough or encourage playbiting or aggression.

# Movie Schedule 7 p.m. Friday

of the Caribbean: Deed

Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest PG-13

# 7 p.m. Saturday

The Devil Wears Prada PG-13

**3 p.m. Sunday**Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest
PG-13

Adults: \$3.50 Children: \$1.75 Movie Recording Line: 687-5110 Movies subject to change due to availability.

# Squadron telephone directory Combat Support Flight

Whiteman 1	nn	 	687	-1844
Touch & Go				
Ozark Inn				
Library				
Fitness Cent	ter	 	687-	-5496

# **Community Support Flight**

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Arts and Crafts Center	687-5691
Auto Hobby Shop	687-5689
Bowling Center	687-5114
Outdoor Recreation	
Mission's End	687-4422
Golf Course	687-5572
Tickets and Travel	
Veterinary Clinic	687-2667

# Family Member Support Flight

Child Development Center	687-5588
Community Center	687-5617
Family Child Care	687-5590
Teen Center	687-5819
Youth Center	687-5586